



**Fort Mill Town Council Meeting Minutes
Monday June 22, 2020
7:30 am**

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PRESENT: Mayor Savage, Councilwoman Heemsoth, Councilman Helms, Councilman Moody, Councilman Shirey, Councilwoman Cook and Councilman Huntley were present. Davy Broom, Town Manager, Chris Pettit, Assistant Town Manager and Virginia Burgess, Town Clerk were also present.

CALL TO ORDER

7:30 am

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION

Councilman Helms provided the invocation.

MINUTES

Minutes of the June 8, 2020 Regular Council Meeting

Councilman Helms made a MOTION to approve the minutes of the June 8, 2020 council meeting. SECONDED by Councilman Huntley. Passed 7-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comments may be submitted in writing to the Town Clerk via mail (200 Tom Hall Street, Fort Mill, SC 29715) or email (vburgess@fortmillsc.gov). When submitting a comment, please include your name and address for the record. All public comments received at least one hour prior to the start of the meeting will be presented to Town Council by staff during the Information/Discussion portion of the meeting.

PRESENTATIONS

Presentation #1

Presentation of staff awards

Davy Broom, Town Manager, presented Major Bryan Zachary and Captain Scott Williams, both with the Police Department, with a 25-year service award

OLD BUSINESS ITEMS

There were no Old Business items.

NEW BUSINESS ITEMS

New Business Item #1

Councilman Shirey made a MOTION to extend the emergency ordinance which allows town council and other appointed board and commission members to participate in meetings electronically and also revised the town council public comment procedures during the COVID-19 emergency. SECONDED by Councilman Helms. Passed 7-0

New Business Item #2

Approval to Resume Sports Tourism Tournaments on Weekends at Doby Bridge Park starting June 27, 2020 – *Brown Simpson*

Councilwoman Heemsoth made a MOTION to resume sports tourism tournaments on weekends at Doby Bridge Park starting June 27, 2020. SECONDED by Councilman Shirey. Passed 7-0.

New Business Item #3

Opening of Water Splash Pad at Steele Street Park – *Brown Simpson*

Councilman Shirey made a MOTION to approve the opening of the water splash pad at Steele Street Park. SECONDED by Councilwoman Heemsoth. Passed 5-2. Councilman Helms and Councilman Moody were opposed.

New Business Item #4

Town of Fort Mill plan for holding events during Covid-19 – *Jacona Hester*

Councilman Shirey made a MOTION to approve the Town of Fort Mill plan for holding events during COVID-19. SECONDED by Councilwoman Heemsoth. Failed 1-6. Councilman Huntley was in favor.

New Business Item #5

First Reading of an ordinance authorizing the execution and filing of a quit claim deed for a plated right of way easement. – *Davy Broom*

Mayor Savage recused herself from the voting of this item.

Councilwoman Heemsoth made a MOTION to approve First Reading of an ordinance authorizing the execution and filing of a quit claim deed for a plated right of way easement. SECONDED by Councilman Shirey. Passed 6-0.

New Business Item #6

Consideration of an amended Emergency Ordinance relating to the continued reopening of parks and recreational facilities and programs – *Chris Pettit*

New Business Item #7

Proposal for a joint Planning Advisory Board with the Town of Fort Mill, City of Tega Cay, and York County. – *Penelope Karagounis*

Councilwoman Heemsoth made a MOTION to approve the proposal for a joint Planning Advisory Board with the Town of Fort Mill, City of Tega Cay and York County. SECONDED by Councilman Huntley. Failed 0-7. All opposed.

INFORMATION/DISCUSSION

Public Comments were read by staff that were received from the following citizen:

Al Rogat, 1006 Cresthaven Lane, wrote regarding the video meetings, the opening of the parks and the proposed Planning Advisory Board.

Information/Discussion Item #1

Progress update pertaining to the Walter Y. Elisha Park Upgrades

Davy Broom informed Council that a preconstruction meeting was held last Friday with Keck & Wood and town staff. A notice to proceed was issued at this meeting so they are getting ready to break ground.

Information/Discussion Item #2

Progress update pertaining to Banks Athletic Park

Mr. Broom stated the overall site plan for Banks Athletic Park has been approved. In the meantime, they have been searching for an architect to help with building plans for the site. Staff will be proceeding with the bid process to aid in hiring the architect.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Committee Report #1

Report of the Ad Hoc Appointments Committee, consideration of appointment to the Planning Commission (1) – *Penelope G. Karagounis*

Councilman Moody made a MOTION to approve the recommended appointment for the Planning Commission. SECONDED by Councilman Shirey. Passed 7-0.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Please Note: Council may take action on Executive Session Items listed on the agenda when they come back into Public Session.

Executive Session Item #1

Receipt of legal advice pertaining to town owned or controlled property

Councilwoman Heemsoth made a MOTION to go into Executive Session. SECONDED by Councilman Shirey. Passed 7-0. Council went into Executive Session at 8:52 am.

Councilwoman Heemsoth made a MOTION to come out of Executive Session. SECONDED by Councilman Huntley. Passed 7-0. Council came out of Executive Session at 9:58 am.

Mayor Savage stated the votes or actions were taken during Executive Session.

ADJOURN

Councilwoman Heemsoth made a MOTION to adjourn. SECONDED by Councilman Huntley. Passed 7-0.

Being no more business to conduct, the meeting adjourned at 10:00 am.

The following press was notified of the meeting by email or fax in accordance of the Freedom of Information Act: The Herald; CN2; WRHI; Fort Mill Times, Fort Mill Sun and WBTV. The agenda was also posted on the board outside of the entrance to Town Hall the required length of time and on the Town website.

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